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covering an improvement in: METHOD FOR LOADING AND UNLOADING RAIL CAR

AND DEVICE, CAR FRAME AND CAR

SUPERSTRUCTURE FOR CARRYING OUT THE METHOD.

The enclosures include:

- 1. Copy of title sheet of printed PCT Application No. PCT/EP 031/007196;
- 2. English literal translation of above PCT application including the Specification having 64 pages and 120 claims including 4 independent claims 1, 13, 17 and 59; and Attorney's Statement of English Translation;
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